

FORM B - BUILDING

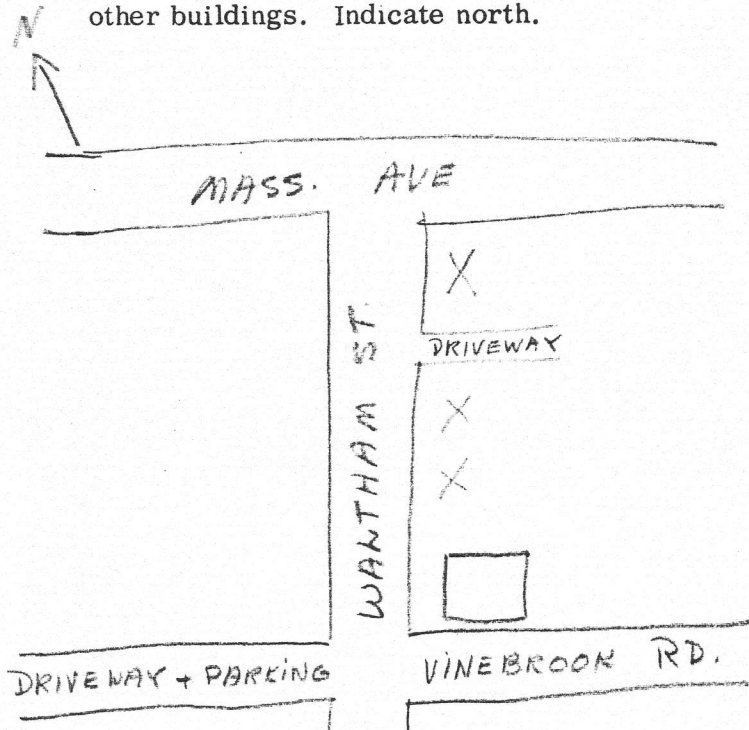
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Lexington  
52 Waltham St.  
Bradley C. Whitcher House  
Funeral Home & residence  
Louis & Margaret Spencer  
1895-97  
Deeds, 1897 Sanborn Map  
(Some Queen Anne features)  
Colonial Revival

4. Map. Draw sketch of building location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings. Indicate north.



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE  
 USGS Quadrant \_\_\_\_\_  
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Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
 Exterior wall fabric Aluminum shingle -ridge  
roof  
 Outbuildings (describe) Converted garage  
 Other features Hip roof - 1 large chimney on  
right - two window dormers rear & front,  
with stick work trim- heavy cornice (over)  
 Altered one story addition Date \_\_\_\_\_  
on rear  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:  
 One acre or less x Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
62' Waltham St.  
 Approximate frontage 77' Vinebrook Rd.  
 Approximate distance of building from street  
15'

6. Recorded by Ruth Beebe  
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(over)

7. Original owner (if known) Bradley C. Whitcher

Original use \_\_\_\_\_

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

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| Aboriginal            | _____ | Conservation               | _____ | Recreation              | _____ |
| Agricultural          | _____ | Education                  | _____ | Religion                | _____ |
| Architectural         | _____ | Exploration/<br>settlement | _____ | Science/<br>invention   | _____ |
| The Arts              | _____ | Industry                   | _____ | Social/<br>humanitarian | _____ |
| Commerce              | _____ | Military                   | _____ | Transportation          | _____ |
| Communication         | _____ | Political                  | _____ |                         |       |
| Community development | _____ |                            |       |                         |       |

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

Other features (cont.) (aluminum) ridged vertically - back porch has square posts & balustrades - one story addition on rear with wooden battens on roof, forming a porch? bay on left which extends above roof to make a bay dormer with three half-size windows 3 bays wide in front - small portico over front door; paneled walls & ceiling, post & lintel supported by brackets which are supported by Tuscan columns which rest on granite block walls - front door has diamond - paned colored glass lights on each side- front door has square window - stone foundation.

Former site of the early Muzzey house, now situated at 42 Forest Street. Muzzey house was moved to this site when the Muzzey "Mansion House" was built on Massachusetts Avenue in 1841 (present site of Edison Station). The eighteenth century Muzzey house was moved from here to Forest Street in 1898 or so (see Oral History of Bernice Glenn Mulvey, Lexington Historical Society).

S. Lawrence Whipple, 1984

10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)